

State And National News Condensed In Brief Form

—State News—
Raleigh, Mar. 26.—R. W. King, who has a large commercial peach orchard here, expressed the opinion today that the unseasonable weather throughout this section. King said the amount of damage could not be estimated yet but that a first survey of some of his trees indicated it might be severe.

Charlotte, Mar. 25.—Miss Evelyn Wingate was taken to a hospital early today for treatment of burns suffered when fire damaged her apartment.

Elkin, Mar. 26.—Raymond Smith, night watchman for the Chatham Manufacturing Co., got an icy bath but no other ill effect as his automobile tumbled into the waters of Elkin creek.

North Wilkesboro, Mar. 26. Township meetings will be held today, to-morrow and Wednesday to give Wilkes county farmers an opportunity to sign for the 1940 farm program.

Raleigh, Mar. 26.—Nineteen county and twelve city school units are participating this year in the adult education program for which the legislature appropriated \$60,000 annually. The 1937 assembly started the program with \$50,000 and the 1939 lawmakers raised the ante by \$10,000.

Charlotte, Mar. 26.—A police report said today that Irvin Smith, a filling station operator, was held up at pistol point last night by two white men who took \$115 from him.

Chapel Hill, Mar. 26.—Miss Harriet Morehead Berry, known as North Carolina's pioneer good roads enthusiast, died yesterday at the home of a sister, Mrs. Kent J. Brown, here after a five-day illness. She was 60 years old.

She was a former director of the state geological and economic survey. She retired from active public service five years ago because of failing health.

Raleigh, March 26.—The body of Francis Polglase, about 35 was found beside railroad tracks three miles west of Raleigh early this morning.

Coroner Roy M. Banks said Polglase's head was badly mangled, apparently by a train. He was not certain what train hit the man since the body was beside tracks of both the Southern and Seaboard.

Lexington, Mar. 26.—The fifth annual North Carolina Baptist Sunday School Associational Conference closed here today. Approximately 1,000 persons attended the meeting.

Raleigh, Mar. 26.—State income tax receipts edged nearer a new record today with fiscal year collections at \$11,012,288.62.

New Bern, Mar. 26.—The Craven county board of elections has ordered a new registration for the new primaries and elections.

Brevard, Mar. 26.—Boyd and Gordon, Inc., of Charlotte, bid low at \$44,500 on construction of a post-office building here.

York, S. C., Mar. 26.—Officers hunted today robbers who were reported to have seized John F. Tish, 23 year old assistant manager of a five and ten cent store here and relieved him of \$16.

—National News—
Washington, Mar. 26.—A tentative set of minimum prices for soft coal from Rocky Mountain and Pacific Coast mines — generally at submitted today by trial examiner of the bituminous coal division.

The action, following three years of negotiations and lawsuits over the price-fixing power, would affect the price at about 1,000 mines. Prices proposed ranged from 50 cents to \$5.50 a ton.

Charleston, S. C., Mar. 26.—A shotgun was brought into play last night by two young white men who robbed the Spring Street service station of a gallon of gas.

When Holly Sams, Jr., station attendant, refused to credit a purchase of five gallons, one of the men pulled the gun from the car and leveled it at Sams' head.

"I put in the gallon they demanded and they drove off across the Asheley River bridge," said Sams.

Washington, Mar. 26.—William L. Austin, Director of the Census, appealed today to college students to co-operate in the population count which will start April 2.

Austin wrote editors of college newspapers that his bureau "needs their help in the gigantic task" by making sure that the parents of students report their names to the enumerators.

Washington, Mar. 26.—A handful of noncommittal members held the balance of power today as the Senate headed into a long debate over extending the reciprocity trade program.

It was billed as Congress' state show of the year, for President Roosevelt made the extension proposal one of his key recommendations and Republicans said that it would become a major campaign issue.

Crisfield, Md., Mar. 26.—Postmaster Vernon L. Spence of Tangier Island, Va., was free today on a personal bond, pending outcome of a bullet wound suffered by Lewis Dize an islander, after a Saturday night disturbance at Tangier.

Columbia, S. C., Mar. 26.—Miss Emma Allen Gaston, 21, was killed instantly yesterday near here when her automobile overturned and struck a telephone pole.

London, Mar. 26.—Several men were missing after a lightship tender capsized off the southern coast of England today.

Candidate For Gov. Stops Here

Hon. Paul Grady of Kenley, N. C., candidate for Governor visited in Kings Mountain for a short time Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Grady was accompanied by Irvin Allen, former Sheriff and present member of the County Commissioners. The candidate was busy building his political fences in Cleveland County and from all reports made a very favorable impression on all he met. Mr. Grady was reminded that Cleveland County produces Governors, and he replied, "but this is the time for a man from the east to sit in the Governor's chair that has been so ably filled by Clyde R. Hoey."

CONFUCIUS SAY— MAN IN BARREL IS LUCKY-- TO STILL HAVE BARREL.



Short Chases Duck— Hurts Foot

Policeman Carl Short is back on the job again after a couple weeks lay-off due to a duck chasing mishap. Policeman Short blamed the duck for the accident when he turned up at a doctor's office a couple weeks ago with a few twisted ligaments in his right pedal digit.

It seems that a duck showed up on the bank of the railroad diagonally across from the First National Bank, and Mr. Short went over to investigate. A duck in the business section of town, thought Mr. Short, quite logically, is out of place. So, he went after Donald.

Donald is as leery of cops, however, as some of the inhabitants of Hord Row, so he scrambled down the bank as fast as a duck can scam. Mr. Short went after him. Donald landed in a lot of mushy mud, but then, Ducks are built that way, so he wasn't hurt.

Maybe Mr. Short isn't built that way. Anyway, when he landed in the same stuff, one of his feet buckled in the soft goo, and Donald ducked while Short groaned. That's the story as Mr. Short told it to the Herald. Finis. Except that Policeman Short thinks that the next time he goes duck hunting, it won't be in the middle of town, and he'll be prepared for the mishaps which accompany duck hunting.

SNOW CRAMPS EASTER PARADE

A few of the more hardy females ventured to church in their Easter regalia Sunday morning, despite a snappy breeze from the northeast. Most of them, however, wrapped well in warm coats.

Then, when they were safely in church, the flakes began to drift down, and lady's dream of a gay Easter parade wilted then and there. This was too, too much! So the Easter Parade was forgotten and the heater remembered. The Easter finery was put back for another day, and the folks dug in for another few days of winter.

The summary of the climatical error was about three inches of snow, several wrecked Easter bonnets, and quite a bit more work for the coal man. Someone remembered that it snowed once on Easter Monday, but a local resident who remembers snow on Easter Sunday hasn't yet been found.

Kiwanis Will Hear Thigpen

The Kiwanis Club will have as their speaker at their regular meeting tonight, Richard E. (Dick) Thigpen, attorney of Charlotte, Immediate Past Governor of the Carolina District of Kiwanis, according to announcement by president Ladd W. Hamrick.

Mr. Thigpen, well known through out the district as "Dick" is a popular Kiwanis, and is well known locally, by his reputation, though it is his first appearance in the "Best Town In The State."

(The meeting will be held in the Womens Club Building at 8:30 this evening.)

Vinita, Okla., Mar. 26.—Fiery Governor Leon C. Phillips and a stubborn Federal agency go into U. S. District Court today for a showdown in their states rights battle over the \$20,000,000 Grand River power project.

NYA Rendering Real Service

The National Youth Administration is growing steadily in Kings Mountain. There are around sixteen girls employed in the local NYA work shop, sponsored by the Junior Women's Club, and the Red Cross of Kings Mountain. Under the able supervision of Mrs. Harriette R. Mauney, these young girls are learning to sew and do handicraft work. They also receive ten hours each month related training from different community citizens in subjects pertaining to their work, health, and character.

Two girls are placed in the Public Library to take care of and lend out books to the public. They are under the supervision and sponsorship of Mr. Haywood E. Lynch, and are really going good work.

Some time in the near future the NYA plans to open a project for beautifying and repairing streets and public buildings in Kings Mountain. Local youths between the ages of 18-24 will be employed on this work.

Junior Womens Club April Fool Party

Instead of the regular monthly meeting of the Junior Women's Club Monday evening, April 1st, the members of the club will entertain their husbands, sweethearts and friends at an April Fool party at the Woman's Club House at 8:00 o'clock.

The committee in charge is planning an evening of entertainment and each member is expected to be present and to bring a guest. Don't forget the time—8:00 P. M. The date—April 1st. The place—Woman's Club building.

The occasion—A good time for all!

Will Rogers' Humorous Story

By WILL ROGERS
IT always sounds foolish to ask a fellow that's got something to sell whether his stuff is good or not. Still, most of us do it. We want to hear him tell how good it is, so we'll feel better spending our dough, I reckon.

Well, a fellow was walking down Main Street, and when he came to the movie he started to look at the signs outside, and he saw his old friend Bill, that he had known as assistant manager of the joint for a long time.

"How's the picture tonight, Bill?" says the stroller.
"Rotten! It's a fright. Never had such a poor one."

"Say, that's good of you to tell me. Saved me six bits. Going to have a good picture next week?"
"Nope. Terrible one next week. In fact, this house don't have good pictures any more."

"Well, that's hard luck. But ain't you afraid of being fired for telling people the truth that way?"
"Nope. I been fired. Going to open a house of my own next month."

Legion Celebrates 21st Birthday

Town Purchases Roller And Pneumatic Drill

Mayor Pro-Tempore H. Tom Fulton is a happy man this morning. As a matter of fact, both Mr. Fulton and Grady King are happy. They can pat each other on the back and say "well, we've done a good job." And so far as the job they set out to do is concerned, they have.

The back slapping comes as the result of the purchase and remodeling of machinery for building streets in Kings Mountain. It was decided recently that Kings Mountain needed a steam roller, badly. Mr. Fulton figured that a new one would cost the town about \$3,800, and that the town couldn't afford to pay that much, so he began to "scout around." He purchased a somewhat outmoded job from the Hobbs-Peabody Construction Company for \$125. The steam engine on it was worn out, so he and Mr. King went into a seance to see what could be done between them, they turned out a good, shiny roller, powered by an "A" model Ford motor. It works.

The Mr. Fulton scouted around some more, trying to find a second hand pneumatic drill. A new one, according to Mr. Fulton would cost \$4400 mounted on a truck. That was too much. He bought one from the bankrupt Canadian Mines Company for \$600, in good condition.

When your reporter went on his tour of investigation yesterday morning, Grady King was using the air pump on the drill truck to furnish air for the paint spray, with which he was giving the Roller a shining coat of silver paint. Mr. Fulton was standing by, supervising the work. He told the story while Mr. King worked. He said that Mr. King should get the credit for the excellent job on the roller. But Mr. Fulton is the man who bought it.

Mr. Fulton, Mr. King, and Charlie Dilling left town again yesterday to do some more "scouting around" up around Knoxville, Tenn. They were investigating some more machinery for Kings Mountain's program of expansion. Their next dream is a rock quarry, to furnish crushed rock for asphalt streets.

Mrs. Ella Hamrick Dies

Mrs. Ella Hamrick, 67, died at her home in the Patterson Grove section at 9:00 o'clock Saturday night. She had been confined four months. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at Patterson Grove Baptist church, of which she was a member with the Rev. J. W. Suttle, officiating.

Mrs. Hamrick is survived by three sons, Lawton Hamrick of McAdenville, Joe Hamrick of Morganton, and Cliff Hamrick of Patterson Grove; six daughters, Mrs. M. L. Thornburg, Mrs. J. L. Wright and Mrs. H. L. Allen of Kings Mountain, Mrs. M. A. Putnam of Shelby, Mrs. Elmer Hamrick of Patterson Grove and Mrs. J. D. Lattimore of Lattimore; and 26 grandchildren.

Evangelistic Services Close Saturday Night

The Methodist Advance evangelistic services being conducted this week by Rev. Charles P. Bowles, of Belmont, at Central Methodist Church, will come to close on Sunday evening. Mr. Bowles will preach each night this week except Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock, and will conduct services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. A special service for children will be held on Friday afternoon at 3:45, and another for children on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The young people of the Church school are having supper and round table discussions with Mr. Bowles at 6:30 each evening through Friday.

Lions To Meet

The first Tuesday night meeting of the Lions Club will be held at the Mountain View House next Tuesday evening at 7:00 P. M., according to an announcement by President J. W. McMan yesterday. The time of the meeting has been changed from Thursday to Tuesday evening. All members are urged to be present.

The Otis D. Green Post of the American Legion, and Auxiliary, celebrated their 21st birthday Tuesday evening at a delightful dinner at the Womens Club. Mrs. J. S. Ware, president of the Auxiliary, presided. Rev. A. G. Sargeant returned thanks. Music was furnished by members of the High School band; D. F. Hord, Jr., played a solo on the alto saxophone, Ernest and Miles Mauney a duet on the piano and Miles a solo on the Basson. Bobby McDaniel played a solo on the trombone accompanied by Miss Rachel McClain at the piano.

Mrs. Weaverman, Dept. President of the Auxiliary, was presented by Mrs. Paul Mauney. Her message was on the Training of our boys and girls on Citizenship, a course that is to take place at Womens College University of N. C. from June 16 through 21st, for \$12.50 per boy or girl.

Any organization or any individual may send a boy or girl to Womens College for this course, but they must send them through this Auxiliary unit.

Presentation of Post Commander P. G. Ratterree was recognized by the Legion.

Mr. J. B. Keeter introduced Mr. Dave Hall, State Dept. Chairman Americanism from Belmont. Legionnaire Hall was presented as the next State Commander by Mr. Keeter.

Mr. Hall's message was on Peace. "It seems almost like yesterday since we were in the army but it is years; we have reached our majority and we have reason to be justly proud of those years. The ideals, the purposes of that group of young men was not just idle talk; those ideals have been carried out by mature men in a feeling of responsibility to our country. Endowment funds, widows, orphans, want, poverty, hospitalization for the ex-soldiers are a few of the things we have done. But these are not the most vital things which we want to do."

"First, We want peace. We know the effect of war; we know war is terrible, horrible, tragedy; arms and legs gone, eyes blind, disease; this is war. To get peace, we must preach peace. Teach peace, talk peace."

"Second, We want to look towards the future, not the past. We want to know what type country our children will live in; assure our children of the same freedom of speech, thought and press as we have today. Our hope for the future said Mr. Hall is not in the wealth of our country but in the youth of today, teaching democratic government, not Fascism, Communism, or Nazism. Our Scouts, essays, school awards and other activities teach this to our youth. And we help serve our country in time of Peace as we once served it in time of war."

"The American Legion, more than any other organization in the world wants peace, because we went through the last war and we know of its horrors, and we have a plan for peace which is to have an armed force large enough to protect and defend America. We want a navy second to none, and an air force that will be able to defend the shores of our great lands," stated Legionnaire Hall.

Dr. and Mrs. R. N. Baird and Mr. and Mrs. Haywood E. Lynch were guests of the Legion for the celebration.

Washington Snapshots by JAMES PRESTON

(Opinions Expressed in This Column Are Not Necessarily the Views of This Newspaper.)

A new come-on for farmers and small businessmen has quietly been prepared by some of Washington's New Deal economists. It is another plan to boost the nation into prosperity by going further into debt.

Only time can tell whether these theoreticians will succeed in their efforts. The interesting fact is that after eight years of trying their ideas they still won't be downed, despite the fact that the nation's debt is still growing and that more than nine million people are unemployed. The new proposal is largely a modification of the spend-lead idea rejected by Congress a year ago. This time, however, instead of being presented to Congress as one plan, it is to be broken up into sections and submitted piecemeal. It (Cont'd on Editorial page)

Laughing Around the World With IRVIN S. COBB

Uncalled For

By IRVIN S. COBB

ON an overcast, murky and very warm day, an assistant copy reader on a New York afternoon paper, reading a slip that had just come over on the news-ticker, called out to the make-up editor, who was



across the copy-room walking to get the day's weather report in order to stick it in its proper place on the front page of the edition then about to go to press:

"Cloudy and humid!"
A large, pompous mail carrier, coal black as to color, who had just entered the room, bringing a registered letter, spoke up:
"Look here, white man, I'm a government employee. I didn't come in here to be insulted!"
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